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*******NOTICE*******
WALGREENS' EDI PROVIDER

It has recently come to our attention that Walgreens is transitioning to an electronic order fulfillment solution known as electronic data interchange or "EDI". The EDI platform requires that the wholesaler/distributor make a payment to a third party associated with Walgreens. This practice is prohibited by Louisiana law. This program clearly violates the exclusive outlet and tied house provisions of LA law in that it requires wholesalers/distributors to provide something of value indirectly to a retailer.

If you participate in this program expect the ATC to issue a citation to the wholesaler/distributor and not the retailer.

Let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John C. Williams", is written over a blue diagonal line that extends from the signature down to the typed name below.

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